

## Alafat, Beth

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**From:** LeClair, Jacqueline  
**Sent:** Monday, May 04, 2020 1:52 PM  
**To:** Alafat, Beth  
**Subject:** RE: Tom Costello- NECEC QUESTIONS

Ok – that was why I put it on the agenda – all set then.

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Tim responded that it was related to a FOIA request he is working on. I only heard about it today.

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Here is your email suggesting we talk about it today.

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Hi Tim,

Maybe we could discuss this at our section meeting this afternoon. I'm not sure exactly what is being asked here.

Thanks

Beth

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**Subject:** Tom Costello- NECEC QUESTIONS

Hi,

Few questions...

-There's a lot of upgrades that have been done, continue to be done, and will need to be done ahead of this project...in Maine and NH.

With that said, as straight forward as you can be, how much of that \$1.4B was actually maintenance that would've been done if this project wasn't anticipated.

- Was the Northern Pass intentionally denied? If not, how would you have managed to deliver this current to Massachusetts?

-I believe I have undeniable proof that Eversource is performing unpermitted and unlawful installation of new UPGRADED/SIZABLE/CONSIDERABLE utility assets, in new locations, ahead of, and for this project... all the way to the Scobie Pond Londonderry/DERRY SS. So, who's paying for the illegal upgrades being done as "maintenance"?

-Has ISO-NE performed a i.3.9. for this project? If so, I'd like to respectfully request the results...

I'd like to respectfully request those results even though ISO-NE has already proven useless and biased by passing the Northern Pass's i.3.9.

For some unknown reason, they claimed the NPP wouldn't have any adverse effects along and down the 50 yr old section between Londonderry/DERRY and Deerfield...lines 373 and 391.

They claimed no adverse effects and only 10 structures needed to be upgraded in order for the Northern Pass to safely and reliably pump more current from Deerfield to Scobie Pond Londonderry/DERRY.

THEN.....

The project got denied and all of a sudden, all the structures needed to be UPGRADED as routine "maintenance" ahead of the NECEC project. Hell they didn't even wait for the project to be denied to start contradicting the i.3.9.

For example, the structure 75 ft from my house holding up line 391, the structure sitting the high water table and perched aquifer immediately uphill from my now destroyed well, the structure indefinitely leaching iron oxide into my now destroyed well, that structure was installed on and within the Department of Energy's Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Northern Pass Projects "ac upgrades" route....while the project was pending.

This all tells me...

-Eversource prematurely commenced construction on a Energy facility at the ratepayers expense

-We can't trust them or ISO-NE

-They risked a catastrophic event by proposing the Northern Pass, then once it was denied, they began replacing the structures as having "decreased load carrying capabilities. rot, woodpecker damage, and missing equipment

Basically, they put profit over safety and risked the lives of everyone along lines 373 and 391 as well as the lives of their own workers because if the project was never denied, it would've been operational in 2017 -2019 with only 10 structures replaced out of the 200-300 structures currently being replaced as being in critical need of repair.

They risked the lives of every single one of us so they didn't have to pay for the necessary "ac upgrades" ....that's how I understand it all.

However, I'm not an expert so would love to hear what a few experts say in defense of my unpardonable accusations

Best Regards,  
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